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APPLICATION TRANSFER REQUEST FOR S.N. 10030242

Section I. TRANSFER REQUEST BY

Name FREAY, CHARLES GRANT Date 5/8/2002

TO: Art Unit 3747 Class/sub 123/

FROM: A.U. 3746 Class

REASON:

piston cylinder arrangement for use in a number of applications. Claims 53 and 54 limit to an ICE.

Gatekeeper concurrence

Section IIa. DISPOSITION BY RECEIVING TC

By: KAMEN A.U. 3747 Date 5/30

NOT ACCEPTED Forward to receiving TC Post Classifier

REASON: Embodiments of pump/motor fall out first - class 91, class 92

Section IIb. DISPOSITION BY RECEIVING TC POST CLASSIFIER

This dispute was resolved. Forward to TC/AU 3747 Class/Sub 123/ Post Classifier PA Date 6/4/02
123 controls over 91 or 92 or 188 or the other pump classes based on hierarchy
as found in the front of the Manual of Classification, see enclosure.

This dispute was not resolved, forward to DISPUTE RESOLUTION PANEL

Post Classifier Assessment:

Gatekeeper concurrence

Post Classifier Date

Section III. DISPOSITION BY DISPUTE RESOLUTION PANEL

Date

Panel Decision:

Forward To Technology Center/Art Unit _____ Class/sub _____

REASON:

Panel Member

Concurring Panel Member

ICE, is concerned mainly w/pumps - diff types of pumps,
and mention only as an adjust that the device may also be employed
in shock absorbers or motors. Motor is a broad term and is defined
as "something that imparts or produces motion, such as a machine or engine."
American Heritage Dictionary. This could also be an ~~internal~~ combustion engine.
Thus there is no reason to classify it in 123.

If there was some question as to whether the invention pertains to pumps
or ICEs, it might make sense to classify it in 123. But it clearly pertains to pumps.
It would defy common sense to have an examiner who is unfamiliar
with pumps examine this case.

123/193.6 is for piston of internal comb engines. This invention is about the
chamber of a pumping piston in a pump, the chamber having cross-sections of different
cross-sectional areas.

Hierarchy of classes

SECTION 12. MOTORS, ENGINES, PUMPS

(See also Group II, Electricity, for electric motors.)

60/200.1-204, 221-721 (schedule sequence) . Power Plants

(See also Group II for chemical reaction motors, subclasses 205-220.)

123 . Internal-Combustion Engines

417 . Pumps

91 . Motors: Expansible Chamber Type

415 . Rotary Kinetic Fluid Motors or Pumps

416 . Fluid Reaction Surfaces (i.e., Impellers)

185 . Motors: Spring, Weight, or Animal Powered

418 . Rotary Expansible Chamber Devices

92 . Expansible Chamber Devices